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WHEREAS an Indian was shot this day near Rock  
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Pounds will be paid for such information as will  
lead to the apprehension and conviction of the person  
who committed the murder. By order of the Governor  
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Offer for sale at the new town of LANGLEY, ex-  
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530 bags Barley,  
1200 qr. Sacks Flour,  
700 Bags Beans,  
20 Hhds Bacon,  
50 Half Barrels extra Clear Pork,  
20 Half Barrels Apples,  
20 Half Barrels N. O. Sugar,  
50 Kegs Syrup, 5 and 8 gallons,  
100 Boxes Candles,  
100 Boxes Soap,  
20 Bags Coffee,  
100 Mats China Rice,  
20 Firkins Choice Butter,  
20 Cases Tobacco, assorted brands,  
50 Chests Green and Black Teas,  
20 Cases Mining and Rubber Boots,  
10 Cases Clothing,  
50 Kegs Nails,  
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Broad Axes, Cross Cut Saws, Files, Carpenter Tools,  
and a general assortment of Groceries, Hardware,  
and Clothing, at less than Victoria prices.  
New Langley, B. C., Jan. 12, 1859. j15

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THIS new Hotel is just opened for the accom-  
modation of the public. The proprietor hopes his  
thorough knowledge and strict attention to business,  
will secure a share of the patronage of the traveling  
as well as local community. This house is always  
open to the inspection of the public. Rooms carpeted,  
F.ather beds, and stoves throughout the house, and  
everything to make a home comfortable.  
Board 8 dollars per week; Board and Lodging from 10  
to 13 dollars; Lodging 50c and 1 dollar. Breakfast 7  
to 10, A. M.; Lunch 12 to 2 P. M.; Dinner 4 to 7, P.  
M. C. YORK,  
Proprietor. j15

**PIONEER LINE FOR VICTORIA.**  
**DEWAR & GEHRICK,**  
San Francisco—proprietors of the Pioneerline  
of vessels for Victoria and Fraser River, will  
continue regularly to dispatch A 1 vessels for Victo-  
ria and Fraser River, and will take freight at the low-  
est rates. Orders to purchase goods to be shipped on  
vessels in our line can be sent through our agent  
**A. KANDLER,**  
Victoria. No commission will be charged to such  
purchasers.  
Shippers of goods will find it to their advantage to  
give us early notice of any orders for goods sent, as  
we will thereby be enabled to fill up smaller vessels  
without delay. j15m6 JOHN DEWAR,  
O. F. GEHRICK,  
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**THE BRITISH COLONIST.**  
A. DE COSMOS, Editor.  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1859.

However unpleasant it may be to us, or  
however unpalatable to the powers-that-  
be, we have no other alternative, as the  
organ of public opinion, than to demand  
the immediate removal of His Honor  
Chief Justice Cameron. The universal  
feeling is that he is an honest Judge.  
On this score none alledge any short-  
comings. On the ground, however, of  
his legal attainments, the public are con-  
vinced that the purposes of a Supreme  
Court would be better served by the ap-  
pointment of a duly certificated lawyer  
to fill the position of Supreme Judge.  
Legal gentlemen—competent to Judge of  
the necessary qualifications for so high  
an officer—unhesitatingly declare that  
the present incumbent does not meet

their expectations. The commercial  
portion of our citizens, taking their cue  
from the freely expressed opinions of  
the bar, and having large sums at stake,  
declare that they would feel greater secu-  
rity in business transactions if a lawyer  
of more reading and practice presided on  
the Supreme Bench. Finding then that  
those most competent to judge, and those  
who are most interested, are of the same  
opinion, there is no other course open  
to the Executive than to make a change  
which will meet universal approbation.

We exceedingly regret that occasion  
should demand the dismissal of a vena-  
rable public servant; but the absolute  
necessity of securing public confidence  
in every department of the government,  
effectually silences all objections. There  
was a time in our history when the public  
service would have suffered by asking  
the immediate removal of His Honor.  
At present, however, no injury can re-  
sult, because we have among us a dis-  
tinguished jurist, in every way compe-  
tent to discharge the highest Judicial  
duties of our Courts of Law. Contem-  
plating a union of these colonies, we  
know no more judicious mode of meeting  
the expectations of this colony than by  
conferring the Chief Justiceship on His  
Honor Judge Begbie. If all other con-  
siderations were insufficient, duty would  
doubtless induce him to accept the ap-  
pointment. Long ago the people were  
promised by the Executive that a lawyer  
of acknowledged acquirements would su-  
percede the present incumbent. In that  
they have been disappointed, for reasons  
of which we presume the public are well  
advised. Taking into consideration the  
dispatch of the 22nd May, 1856, we can-  
not see how the matter can be deferred  
any longer; in fact it affords us substan-  
tial grounds for believing that the impor-  
tant duties of the first Judicial officer of  
the colony would be more properly and  
safely entrusted to the hands of a duly  
qualified or regularly certificated lawyer.

Correspondence of the British Colonist.

**PORT DOUGLAS, Feb. 10, 1859.**  
**EDITOR COLONIST:** Sir,—Knowing the  
above named place to be of some noto-  
riety among the people of Victoria, I  
shall merely mention its situation at  
present. There are a couple of hundred  
people here, half of whom are fast mak-  
ing preparations to leave for Fraser river,  
(the upper,) as the winter, or at least  
the severest part, will be over by the  
time they can get prepared to go to min-  
ing. Packing, which has gone on steady-  
all the time, amounts to about 25 cts  
per lb. to Fraser, which nothing but  
competition can reduce, the present  
number of working animals there not  
exceeding 50 in all.

The other half of our population are  
trail men and others, who intend doing  
some kind of business here during the  
coming season, but a majority of whom  
are laying still, and are afraid to improve,  
not knowing what disposition the gov-  
ernment is going to make of our town  
lots. This is a poor way of doing busi-  
ness. The Americans would have a  
town built up while we are obliged to  
wait until the government finds a con-  
venient time and place to locate one.  
Judging from the columns of your paper  
that you are the friend of colonists, we  
should like to hear from you. You may  
be able to tell us in what manner the

government intends to dispose of town  
lots here.

This being the most accessible route  
to the Upper Fraser and Canoe country,  
(which are indisputably rich,) the people  
of this place anticipate a lively time com-  
ing, and consequently are very anxious  
to know where to build. There are also  
a number of public houses in course of  
completion, at the most convenient stop-  
ping places on the trail, which is certainly  
a great convenience to the traveling  
public; and particularly so the Hot  
Spring House, 20 miles from Port Doug-  
las, where the weary pedestrian can have  
the luxury of a warm bath, (containing  
many medical properties,) and the grati-  
fication of seeing the curious manner in  
which it comes through the cement from  
the mountain. A. J.

Correspondence of the British Colonist.

When we calculate the interest of any  
party in a Mercantile firm we say A B  
has so many shares in the concern, and  
consequently should be largely interest-  
ed, and we expect him to exert all his abili-  
ties and energy to increase the profits of  
the whole business, so as to make his  
share of the profits as large as possible.  
And this is a fact which we see evinced  
every day. And no one would attempt  
to deny the truth of the statement, nor  
would any person possessing common  
sense blame a man for making the most  
of his business, and increasing his inter-  
est therein. But how right soever this  
may be in Mercantile firms, we do not  
approve of the same system being carried  
out in the management of our courts of  
law. We mean we do not like to see a  
Judge in a court of law interested  
and dependant for his support on the  
fees of his court. That is in fact placing  
him in the position of a partner in a  
Mercantile firm, so far as the proceeds  
of the court are concerned. The thing  
is contrary to all established rule, and  
such an arrangement places a judge in a  
wrong position, and one which is incon-  
sistent with reason. What is the source  
from which the court officials derive  
their income on Vancouver's Island. We  
shall quote from the Rules of Court.

"And the Registrar shall divide the  
total sum received during the quarter as  
Judges and Officers fees into 40th parts,  
and pay the same to the Officers of the  
Court, and for the use of the Court, in  
the following proportions, viz:

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| To the Judge           | 49 fortieths; |
| " " Registrar          | 40 "          |
| " " Clerk of the Writs | 5 "           |
| " " Sheriff            | 2 "           |
| " " Court Fund         | 4 "           |

Now it does not require any vast share  
of knowledge to foresee that the princi-  
ple of financial management in our  
Courts, is identical with the principle  
carried out in any Mercantile business or  
firm in town. But we decidedly object  
to this, for any one can see that the po-  
sition of a partner in a Mercantile firm  
and that of a Judge, for instance, are not  
at all synonymous, for in the case of the  
Merchant the more interest he has the  
better, while in that of the Judge it is in-  
dispensable that he should be entirely  
disinterested. Now we urge on principle  
and we think it would be much more  
agreeable for any one holding the reins  
of justice that they should be supported

by a certain fixed salary paid by the government, which would at once get rid of the difficulty, and let the fees be paid into a general fund, and handed over to the government to reimburse them. We put this proposition to intelligent men. Let us rouse from our stupor. We have now a little leisure to look into and have these matters remedied. Probably in a month or two we may be immersed in the din and bustle of business. This matter admits of no delay, and we feel it ought to be only necessary to mention it to have a change effected. G.

## THE BRITISH COLONIST.

A. DE COSMOS, Editor.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1859.

THE recent Proclamation stating that a Port of Entry, and the political and commercial capital of British Columbia, would be located near Pitt river, only satisfies the people on one point: the removal. It is productive, however, of a great deal of dissatisfaction on account of the manner in which paid up purchasers of Langley lots have been treated, and the perfect silence on the part of the government as regards those who paid only ten per cent. Whatever lawyers may say or quibble about to excuse the government from blame when charged with having held out inducements to purchase at Langley, every honest and unprejudiced person, possessing common sense, had good reason to believe that Langley would be a Port of Entry, and the principal town on the Lower Fraser. With this just impression every body purchased,—and fully expected that the government would not break faith with them. Superior judgment, however, discerned that it was a blunder to locate the chief town there. The town site is changed; the purchasers assent. Now comes the question, has the government acted honorably and justly by the purchasers? We unhesitatingly answer, No. Neither those who paid in full as straight forward business men; nor those who deposited ten per cent, have been treated in this transaction according to strict justice. Those who paid up justly say that they have been robbed; and they who did not, that they have been swindled. Unquestionably it approximates very closely to both. Now then allowing that the intention of the government was to deal honestly by all parties, what course should it have adopted in order to command the respect and confidence of the governed, and maintain untarnished the good name of a British colony, and do justice to those who with boasting confidence in British officials laid down their hard earned dollars for Langley lots? The course is simple and plain, as purchasers did not back out, but the government. The Proclamation should have given the paid up purchasers a preference over the ten per cent depositors, and all others. They should either have had the right to compete alone, in a sale at the new town, or adequate interest and consideration given to them to make every thing equal. Those who paid up purchased at a season when every thing was dull. Under the recent order they will be compelled to purchase at double

or treble prices what is justly their due at the Langley price. Here lies the gross injustice of the whole transaction,—and which will tend to present dissatisfaction, induce many to leave the country,—and will brand with eternal disgrace and infamy the actors in this drama of humbuggery. Again, setting aside the motives which induced the ten per cent depositors to ask an extension of time, and disregarding the unbusinesslike conduct of the government in granting an extension without security or interest, in violation of the bargain at the sale to the injury of those who paid up, as well as the government,—we come to the fact that these depositors had a guarantee under the hand of the Surveyor, that if they paid the balance before the lots were brought into market that they should be entitled to their purchase. This being fact, who will attempt to justify the silence of the Proclamation? Dishonesty itself would blush to attempt what we have under the seal of the colony. What should have been done? Why, these depositors should have been informed that if they did not pay up by a certain date, their deposit would be forfeited. Then if they wished to retain their paid lots in Langley or exchange by allowing the amount on account of purchases at the new town, it was at their option. By this means a disposition would have been shown to give satisfaction and act justly; but profound silence either indicates negligence or a repudiation of the guarantee of the Surveyor: either are unworthy of a British colony. The only point we concede to the government is, that no money should be returned, but lots in one place or the other, inasmuch as government is supposed to be acting for the good of all. Beyond this no compromise. Whatever difference in value the altered circumstances of the country may make between the value of lots then and now to the paid up purchasers, should be made good by the government. Anything else is unjust. To object to the payment of a just claim after squandering as a spendthrift 120,000 dollars on the Lillooette trail; ten or fifteen thousand more on the Whannell war; and losing 27,000 more by leaking out the secret of the imposition of duties,—is acting the part of a beggarly and dishonest miser whose avaricious eyes magnifies a dollar to the size of a cartwheel. Honesty is the best policy for governments or individuals,—and we sincerely hope the injustice of the Proclamation may be remedied, and all excused through the necessary haste of the government to quiet in some measure the public mind.

**FAMILY COMPACT.**—In our last edition we should have added to the list, the gentleman named below. It was purely an oversight; in making the correction now, it is not to render his name more conspicuous, but merely to complete the list:

W. A. G. Young, Esq., son-in-law of Chief Justice Cameron, and nephew by marriage of His Excellency, Paymaster Royal Navy, Secretary to Boundary Commission, and Colonial Secretary of B. C. pending the approval of the Home Government.

**ONE FOURTH RESERVE.**—No serious objection would be made to the government reserving one fourth of the lots in the new town, provided the object was to add to the revenue of the colony, or induce immigration from Great Britain and the colonies. These considerations are the only ones which should have any weight in making the reservation. But we have decided objections to the manner of making the reservation, and to their being sold in Great Britain or elsewhere. Vacant blocks scattered through the town will be a serious injury and great inconvenience to business and improvements. Reserve, however, every fourth lot in each block, then improvements would go on all round them, they would rapidly increase in value, or might be temporarily rented, and the improvement of the town would be uniform. It is a stupid arrangement altogether as regards blocks, and should be frowned down by every one interested in the prosperity of the town. Selling the lots out of the colony is far worse. Advertise abroad if you think it will bring immigrants to the country; but sell here. We want no absentee landlords to draw money out of the country, and spend it abroad. Such a course we hope to be preserved from. Let those who buy our lands reside in the country. It would be suicidal to adopt any other policy;—and we put in an emphatic protest against any sale out of the colony, not only as rank injustice to those who have borne the burden and heat of the day, in the settlement of the country; but because it is improbable that our population would be increased in consequence. In another point of view the scheme looks like a job to give the hangers on of the Company or government a chance to quietly get good lots at the expense of the people. The effect of selling abroad cannot be otherwise. Hence in all honesty and fairness, let the sale be made here, and no where else.

**ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL.**—Owing to our limited space and the late hour we were placed in possession of the Appeal of the Provisional Committee, we find it impossible to publish it at length. Arrangements have been concluded to erect the Hospital on the Indian reserve. The character of the good Samaritan is exemplified in the Constitution of this much needed asylum: none will be excepted from its benefits; and no question asked as to country, creed or color. Considering what good has already been done by the Broad Street Hospital, and the universal approbation and support it has received, we have no doubt as to the success which will attend the new Hospital. To contribute for the support of a home for the sick will afford pleasure to the generous inhabitants of Victoria and vicinity.

In a short time a general canvass will be made by the Committee. At present contributions may be left at Wells, Fargo and Co's, Victoria Gazette, British Colonist, or with the Provisional Committee: A. G. Dallas, Chairman; A. Pemberton, Treasurer; Rev. E. Cridge, Sec'y; F. B. Austin, C. Bartlett, C. Dodd, W. J. McDonald, Rev. E. Evans, D. D., D. Fraser, Dr. Helmcken, I. S. Lathau, Dr. H. Piers, — Thain, and Dr. Tuzo.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A MEETING will take place THIS EVENING, at 7 o'clock, on Broad street, behind the Hotel de France, to discuss the policy of uniting the two colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver's Island, previous to taking further steps on the subject.

### The Necessity of Reform in Vancouver's Island.

A letter addressed to the Colonists, by one of the people, will be published on Tuesday next.

"If there's a hole in a' your coats,

I rede you tent it;

A child's among you taking notes,

And faith he'll prent it.

For sale by Hibben and Co., and at Herre's bookstore.

### VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.—FOR SALE.—

A FARM OF 385 ACRES OF THE RICHEST description of arable land, near the mouth of the important Harbour of Esquimalt. About 60 acres have been broken and fenced in. A commodious residence, excellent barn, and other outhouses. For a stock farm it is second to none in the country.

It is situated on the coast facing the Olympian range on the opposite shores of the Straits de Fuca, with a road running thro the estate, possesses a good boat harbour, valuable Oak and Pine timber, a running stream and a large water power or Mill privilege with from 30 to 40 feet fall.

To any one wishing to invest in real estate this is a rare opportunity, which with the present golden prospects of this rich country is not likely to recur; immediate possession can be had, with a clear and direct title from the Colonial Government.

FOR SALE.—Also, 20 Acres of rich bottom land, well watered and finely timbered, in the Salt Lake, one mile outside Esquimalt Harbour.

The above will be sold at Auction entire, or in lots to suit purchasers at Victoria, V. I., on the 28TH DAY OF APRIL, 1859, unless previously disposed of by private contract. Apply to Mr. JAMES COOPER, Esquimalt.

Or to H. P. P. CREESE, Esq., Barrister at Law, Victoria, V. I.

SELIM FRANKLIN & Co., Auctioneers and Land Agents.

### VICTORIA PROPERTIES.

#### AUCTION SALE.

SELIM FRANKLIN AND CO., Auctioneers and Land Agents, on Yates street, will sell on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 12 o'clock noon, that valuable Water Lot No. 115, situated on store street.

Also—Lot No. 677, full size, on Cormorant street, adjoining the new residence of Capt. Dodge.

Also—Lot situated on the corner of Quadra and View streets.

Also—a corner Lot of store and Discovery streets, and two other Lots adjoining, and others to be announced at the sale. TERMS—10 per cent. deposit at time of sale. Acts of sale at purchaser's expense.

### ESQUIMALT PROPERTIES.

#### AUCTION SALE.

SELIM FRANKLIN AND CO., Auctioneers and Land Agents, Yates street, will sell on Saturday Feb. 26, at 12 o'clock noon, a number of valuable Business and Building Lots, comprising some of the most desirable portions of the property of William Sellick, and situated at the Harbour of Esquimalt. The attention of purchasers is particularly directed to this sale, as offering an excellent opportunity for investment in that important place. TERMS—Ten per cent. deposit at time of purchase. Acts of sale at buyer's expense.

### DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

THE partnership heretofore existing between John L. Eckley and James Curtis, Druggists, trading under the style of Curtis & Co., has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

JAMES CURTIS,  
JOHN L. ECKLEY.

Victoria, February 16, 1859.

MR. M. MOORE having this day purchased the entire interest of Mr. John L. Eckley in the firm of Curtis & Co., the business will be continued under the style of Curtis and Moore.

JAMES CURTIS,  
M. MOORE.

Victoria, February 16, 1859.

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### TREASURY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, VICTORIA, Feb. 8, 1859.

All persons having claims upon the Government of British Columbia for Salaries, Services Performed, Articles Supplied, or under any other account, are requested to forward a statement of such claims to this office with the least possible delay.

W. DRISCOLL GOSSET.

### Treasury and Commissariat of British Columbia.

VICTORIA, Feb. 8, 1859.

Officers or other persons having in their possession Cattle, Carts, Tools, or Stores of any description the property of the Government of British Columbia, are requested to send to this office a list of the same, completed up to date of transmission.

W. DRISCOLL GOSSET.



WE have no disposition to bandy words with such small fry as Mr. C. A. Angelo, nor reply in detail to his contemptible remarks, as it would be making too much of a very insignificant person. We are pleased, however, to learn that he has been dismissed from the Deputy Collectorship; our error was owing to the dismissal not being publicly announced. As to his not being an American citizen, that may be the case. Still we would like him to explain how he sat in a Native American or Know Nothing Lodge in California? We can refer to a respectable party in this town who says he knows that Angelo sat in one of the Councils of that order. To do so a man must be a native American, or swear falsely. As to his being or not being a British subject we said nothing. Some parties, however, are prepared to make affidavit that he has in this town represented himself as a native of Corsica.

**FOUND DEAD.**—Capt. Brock of the boat Gold Hunter, found on Feb. 8th, three miles above Harrison river, the body of a man supposed to be Charles Sheldon, of San Francisco. He was buried on the point at the first rifle above Harrison river. The deceased was 50 years or over, old; heavy set; 5 ft. 3 inches in height; slightly bald on front part of head; whiskers mixed with grey; and wore a double truss. On his body were found—a gold watch, open face; 45 dollar gold piece; 4 dollar do.; 25 cts. silver; a small amount in dust; a heavy gold pencil; and a certificate dated San Francisco, May 22, 1858. His effects were left at Fort Hope. He is supposed to have a brother in San Francisco.

On the same day Capt. Brock lost one of his men named Charley, in trailing the boat. He slipped into the river and was drowned before he could be rescued.

**JARVIS INLET.**—Mr. Foster, who is spending the winter at Jarvis Inlet, informs us that the Indians cross from there to the Upper Fraser in seven days. He intends to cross on his return, and if possible discover a practicable route for the conveyance of merchandise and travel. The Inlet is seventy miles long, the narrowest place a mile wide, with good anchorage in every part. It is an excellent place to engage in the Salmon fishery. Fine lands also border the Inlet.

**PIRACY BY INDIANS.**—The brig Swiss Boy, Capt. Weldon, bound from Port Orchard to San Francisco, with a cargo of lumber, put into Natat Sound to stop a leak, on February 1st. The Indians boarded her in great numbers, drove the Captain from the wheel and the crew to the fore-castle. They then cut away the masts, rigging, and sails, and carried ashore every thing. Some three hundred boarded her and completed the work of destruction in two hours. Capt. Weldon attributes the preservation of their lives to a Macaw chief.

Prompt measures should be taken by the government to chastise these pirates. And if one of H. M. ships would visit their camps and inflict summary punish-

ment on them, they would be taught a profitable lesson. Considering the great increase of commerce in the Straits, the liability of vessels to be becalmed near the West coast in summer, and the importance of the harbours there as a refuge, there is no other course to pursue in order to render vessels safe.

**THE FRANCHISE BILL** of Mr. McKay and Dr. Helmcken is very unfavorably received by those most interested.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

**HENRY C. WILSON,**  
**LUMBER MERCHANT,**  
Wharf St., Victoria, V. I.  
Cargoes of Masts, Spars and Lumber filled to order. **119-1m**

**RILLIARD AND MARSHALL**  
Will give their First  
**QUARTERLY BALL**  
At the  
**ASSEMBLY HALL,**  
On Tuesday, February 22, 1859.  
**TICKETS 5 DOLLARS.**

**TO JUDGES OF FINE OLD FRENCH BRANDY, &c.**  
**J. D. CUSHEON, Manager of the**  
**UNION HOTEL,**  
Government Street, near Johnston St.  
**VICTORIA.**

**HAS** received a large consignment of the finest old French Brandy and other Liquors ever imported into this Island.  
As for his sparkling A 1 BURTON ALE. Nothing on earth can beat it, as a most refreshing and exhilarating draught.  
The table is daily supplied with every delicacy.  
Board reduced to 7 dollars per week.  
Lodgings do. to 1 and 2 dollars per week.  
50 Beds at 25 and 50 cents each per night.  
**J. DUCIE CUSHEON,**  
**119-1m Agent.**

**REMOVAL.**  
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**CLEARANCES.**  
Feb. 43.—scr. Page, Oberg, Port Townsend. 46.—str. Otter, Mouat, Astoria; str. Beaver, Sinclair, Langley; str. Constitution, Cove, Pt. Townsend; 47.—schr. Amelia, Thornton, do; schr. Reporter, Elger, do; str. Labouchere, Swanson, Fort Simpson; sloop Josephine Hewitt, Hewitt, Langley; sloop Flora, Gibbon, do. 48.—L. P. Foster, Libbey, Pt. Townsend; brk. Sea Nymph, Steger, Hong Kong; sloop Mary Jane, Whittier, Port Townsend; schr. Harriett, Coffin, do; W. D. Rice, Diggs, do.

**VICTORIA WHOLESALE PRICE CURRENT**

Corrected Weekly.—Feb. 19.

|  |         |    |    |         |
|--|---------|----|----|---------|
| Apples, dried,                           | per lb. | 13 | a  | 15      |
| Barle,                                   | "       | 2  |    |         |
| Bran, per ton,                           | "       | 40 | d  | 45      |
| Bacon, Extra Clear,                      | per lb. | 17 | a  | 18      |
| Beans,                                   | "       | 8  | a  | 3 1-2   |
| Butter,                                  | "       | 42 | a  | 45      |
| Blankets, per pair,                      | "       | 4  | a  | 11      |
| Beef, mess,                              | per lb. | 8  | a  | 10      |
| Bread, pilot,                            | "       | 10 | a  | 12      |
| Clovelary, 50 per cent below cost.       | "       |    |    |         |
| Coffee, Rio,                             | per lb. | 18 | a  | 20      |
| Coffee, Java,                            | "       | 21 | a  |         |
| Cheese,                                  | "       | 35 | a  | 45      |
| Candles,                                 | "       | 34 | a  | 35 1-2  |
| Crackers, soda,                          | "       | 13 | a  | 14      |
| Flour, best brands,                      | "       | 11 | 50 | a 11 50 |
| Gunny Bags,                              | "       | 18 | a  | 25      |
| Hay,                                     | "       | 3  | a  |         |
| Hams,                                    | "       | 23 | a  | 24      |
| Lard, in 10 lb. cans,                    | "       | 19 | a  | 21      |
| Lumber, according to quality,            | "       | 18 | a  | 22      |
| Mackerel, per ket.                       | "       | 4  | a  | 5       |
| Nails,                                   | per lb. | 7  |    |         |
| Oats,                                    | "       | 2  | a  | 2 1-2   |
| Onions,                                  | "       | 2  | a  | 3       |
| Pork, extra clear, 1-2 blbs.             | "       | 16 | a  | 18      |
| Pork, mess, in "                         | "       | 15 |    |         |
| Peas, split,                             | "       | 6  | a  | 7       |
| Potatoes,                                | "       | 1  | a  | 2       |
| Quicksilver,                             | "       | 90 | a  | 100     |
| Rice, Carolina,                          | "       | 8  | a  |         |
| Rice, China No. 1, fair,                 | "       | 6  | a  | 7       |
| Sugar, crushed,                          | "       | 16 | a  |         |
| " China No. 1, fair,                     | "       | 11 | a  |         |
| " New Orleans, fair,                     | "       | 13 | a  | 13 1-2  |
| " San Francisco refined,                 | "       | 13 | a  | 1-2     |
| Syrups, East Boston and S. F. refinery,  | "       | 50 | a  | 1       |
| Sheetings and Drillings,                 | "       | 13 | a  | 14      |
| Shirts, drawers and grey under, per doz. | "       | 10 | 50 | a 11 50 |
| Over shirts, per doz.                    | "       | 13 | a  | 21      |
| Teas, green, accord, to quality,         | "       | 30 | a  | 55      |
| Teas, black, accord, to quality,         | "       | 50 | a  | 40      |
| Yeast Powders, per doz.                  | "       | 2  | a  | 3       |

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## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Met at 11 A. M., Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1859.

After the record of last meeting was read, Hon. Speaker called for petitions. Dr. Kennedy—With consent of the House, I will read a petition, the object of which is to ask the House to take into consideration the impassable condition of Saanitch road,—and make an appropriation for its improvement.

Mr. Pemberton—The most the Executive can be expected to do, is to open roads. Those living along the line of roads should assist in keeping them in good condition.

The petition was read. Mr. Yates—I give notice that I will move that a competent person be appointed Clerk of the House. It did not become the dignity of the Speaker to act as Clerk. A Sergeant-at-Arms was also required.

Hon. Speaker—That would remain with him. He would consider it.

Mr. Yates—I give notice of an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he would impress on Her Majesty's government the imperative necessity of sending Commissioners to this Island without delay, in order to make a thorough investigation into the affairs of the colony before releasing the H. B. Co. from their responsibility.

Mr. Skinner—I give notice of an address,—that His Excellency will inform this House, if the Indians who formerly owned the lands in the districts of Nanaimo, Victoria, Esquimalt, Mechosin, and Soke, have been paid in full,—and if paid, do they fully understand that they have no further claim on the government for said lands,—and may it please His Excellency to state what the said lands have cost per square mile.

Hon. Speaker—Order of the day, McKay's Franchise Bill, and the Game Bill.

Mr. McKay read the Franchise Bill. It gives to Victoria and Lake district three representatives; Mitchosin and Esquimalt, three; North and South Saanitch, one; Soke, one; Nanaimo, one; Town of Victoria, two. The qualification of representatives, three years' residence on the Island, and the possession of 500 pounds in real and personal property. A company having improvements to the value of 500 pounds shall be allowed to cast one vote by proxy. Twenty acres of land entitles the owner to vote, and also an unexpired ten years lease of a freehold estate gives the right to vote.

Dr. Kennedy seconded it. [Passed first reading.]

Mr. Skinner read Bill for Protection of Game.

Mr. Pemberton seconded it. It was a perfect bill, and does not interfere with the Indians; but effectually stops the destruction of game at certain seasons.

Hon. Speaker gave notice of an address to His Excellency relative to land reserves being placed under the sole control of the House.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Skinner in the Chair.

Mr. Chairman—The first business is to consider Mr. Yates' motion to raise funds for Victoria Harbor improvements by selling Indian reserve.

Mr. Yates moved that the ground occupied by the Indian reserve be laid out in town lots, sold to the highest bidder, the Indians removed, and the proceeds appropriated for Harbor improvements.

Dr. Kennedy—The Governor has already said that the reserve cannot be sold. I would second their removal, but not the appropriation of the proceeds of the sale of reserve, except for the education of the Indians.

Mr. Yates—I am disposed to do all I can to improve the condition of the Indians; but believe it impossible to educate

them where they are. The reserve would rent yearly for 40,000 dollars. If they were taught that a small piece of land was worth that sum, they would inform every tribe on the Island, and the government would find it impossible to get their lands on peaceable terms. They must be removed, and I am surprised that any man having regard for decency should support the policy of the government. The Indians remaining in our midst are a disgrace to the government.

Mr. McKay—The proceeds of the reserve would be placed in the hands of a Commission, and the Indians would know nothing of it.

Mr. Yates—Yes, the Commission would eat up the proceeds, and the Indians get nothing. His Excellency stated they were a public inconvenience. That is the only just sentence in his reply. That admission justifies the public in demanding their removal from the town. The violent removal spoken of in the message is a purely voluntary suggestion of the Executive. My motion asks for their removal by purchase; not by violence, because it is unnecessary, the Indians being willing to leave. Their young men and women being destroyed by disease and drunkenness. If His Excellency had as much regard for the Indians as he wishes the public to believe, he would remove them at once, and perform an act of common humanity. The education of the Indians proposed in the message, I conscientiously consider nonsense. It is folly to think of improving their condition with whiskey shops all around them.

Mr. Chairman—They are a perfect nuisance, and the only course is to remove them.

Mr. Pemberton—Suppose it all a mistake in putting the Indians there. The government has pledged itself to the Indians that the reserve would be kept for them; and all their rights maintained. To force them away would be a breach of faith,—and would be unjust; and even allowing the colonial funds would be largely increased by the sale of the reserve, it would be setting a precedent of broken faith that would be productive of serious consequences. I recommend the unqualified rejection of the motion.

Mr. Yates—The hon. member talks about forcing them away. They were willing to go if bought out.

Mr. McKay—Only part of the Indians who settled here now remain; half of them have gone away.

Mr. Yates—The question is, are these to remain. The message states that when Victoria was settled reservations were made for the Indians. I would inform the House that when the town was first settled, these Indians were living at a distance of five miles away, wherethey had always resided.

Mr. Pemberton—The hon. member should have objected when the reserve was laid. Then they were considered an inconvenience. Having taken all their lands, except this piece, it was decidedly unjust to take the last piece considering the pledged faith of the government. The hon. member says that the Governor's remarks are rank nonsense. This language is disrespectful, and a violation of order,—and should not be allowed.

Mr. Yates—Because you and the Governor have made a blunder in taking all the lands of the Indians, must the Indians remain here to disgust every respectable female in the town; and are we to suffer this sink of iniquity to remain in our midst any longer? Remove them twenty miles away from grog-shops if you desire their improvement.

Mr. McKay—They would have a better opportunity to get liquor than now. Mr. Pemberton would rather remove

all the grog-shops than the Indians.

Hon. Speaker—Would rather remove the bridge.

[The motion not being seconded, the discussion was declared irregular and ended.]

Mr. Chairman—Mr. Yates' motion for a Select Committee to enquire how long the Indians have been here, and where they came from, and to inform His Excellency of the result of their investigations, was now before the Committee.

Hon. Speaker—I consider the motion a direct insult to His Excellency, as though he was ignorant. I denounce any one who will second the motion. It would be a gross insult to His Excellency. [Sensation.]

Mr. Yates—Supposed the Governor was as likely to be in error as any body else; and saw no disrespect in appointing a committee.

Mr. Pemberton—It is unparalleled presumption to appoint a committee to make these enquiries and report to His Excellency. [Sensation.]

Mr. Chairman—The next is an address to His Excellency praying the removal of the Northern Indians.

Mr. Pemberton—The Executive could not be troubled with such matters. There was no good reason for adopting the motion.

Mr. Yates—The hon. gentleman is mistaken. These Indians are stealing and breaking into houses, which made their removal necessary.

Mr. Chairman—I am in favor of it.

Hon. Speaker—They will be removed shortly whether this is adopted or not.

[Passed.]

Committee adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

Committee met in pursuance to adjournment. Several amendments were made to Registration of Voters' Bill. Hon. Speaker and Mr. Chairman were decidedly opposed to British subjects who had once relinquished their allegiance, being allowed equal privileges with those who had not. [Carried.]

The License Law was amended also to give discretionary power to Magistrates to grant licenses quarterly or half yearly. Committee rose, and House called to order.

Amendments in Committee adopted. Adjourned till Tuesday next at 11 A. M.

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